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Re: Allowed U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/769,420; Filed: January 26, 2001
For: **Substituted Nicotinamides and Analogs as Activators of Caspases and Inducers of Apoptosis and the Use Thereof**
Inventors: Cai *et al.*
Our Ref: 1735.0440001/RWE/RAS

Sir:

In response to the **Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due** dated May 5, 2004, the following documents are forwarded for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form;
2. Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
3. Issue Fee Transmittal (Form PTOL-85B);
4. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
5. Figures 1A-B, 2, 3A-B, 4A-B, and 5; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are five(5) sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1A-B, 2, 3A-B, 4A-B and 5, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

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